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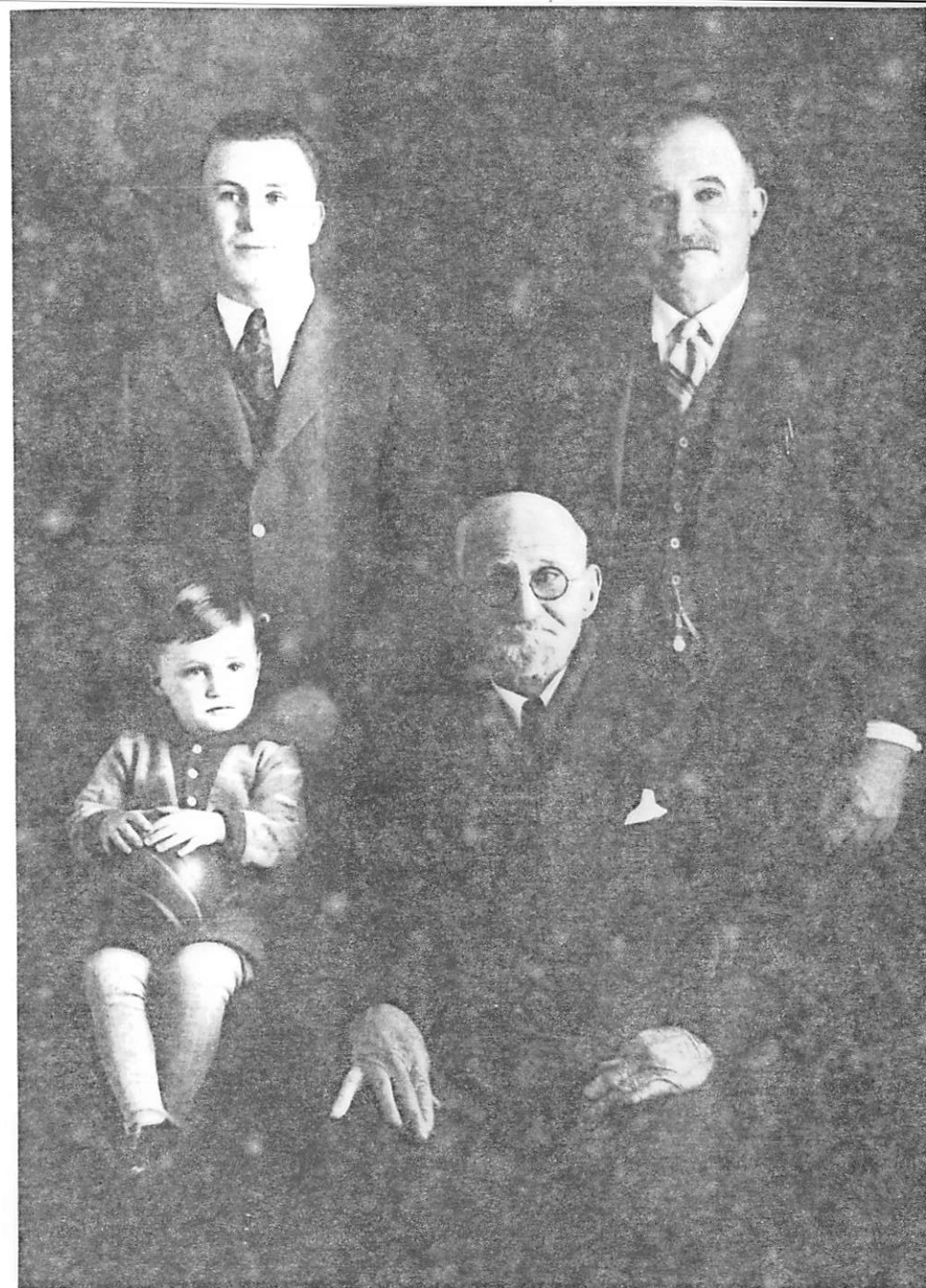
Mr. Petersen is a school man whose personal interests give him an unusual contact with all the varied program of the schools of which he is the head. He has always taken a great interest in the development of music in any school with which he has been connected, and while at the Jordan High School he directed the instrumental music. He also majored in art at the University of Utah and has shown some rare skill as a painter. The music department of the Logan High School has obtained statewide recognition. Mr. Petersen is a trustee of the Utah Education Association and has attended conventions of the National Education Association. He is president of the Kiwanis Club and on its board of directors, was a member of the stake presidency of his church at North Sanpete, and at Logan is a member of the Stake High Council. His hobby is ranching. He owns and has operated an 1100 acre ranch in Sanpete County.

He married, September 3, 1913, Miss Emily Andersen, of Provo, daughter of Peter E. and Sarah (Smyth) Andersen. Her father was born in England and came to Utah in the early '60s, and was distinguished among other things for his exceptional gifts as a musician. He composed a number of the hymns used by the Latter Day Saints Church. Her maternal grandfather, Adam Smyth, was also a great musician. He taught school for many years, and under his direction the Manti Temple Choir became one of the famous musical organizations in the West. He brought this choir to participate in the dedication of the Salt Lake Temple. Mrs. Petersen was educated through the high school and the academic department of Brigham Young University, also graduated from the Musical Conservatory there, and is an active worker in her church, being a member of the Stake Primary Board. Mr. and Mrs. Petersen have five children: Helen, born August 1, 1914; Delbert, born December 19, 1915; Eugene, born July 16, 1917; Evelyn, born January 19, 1920; and Miriam, born June 5, 1926.

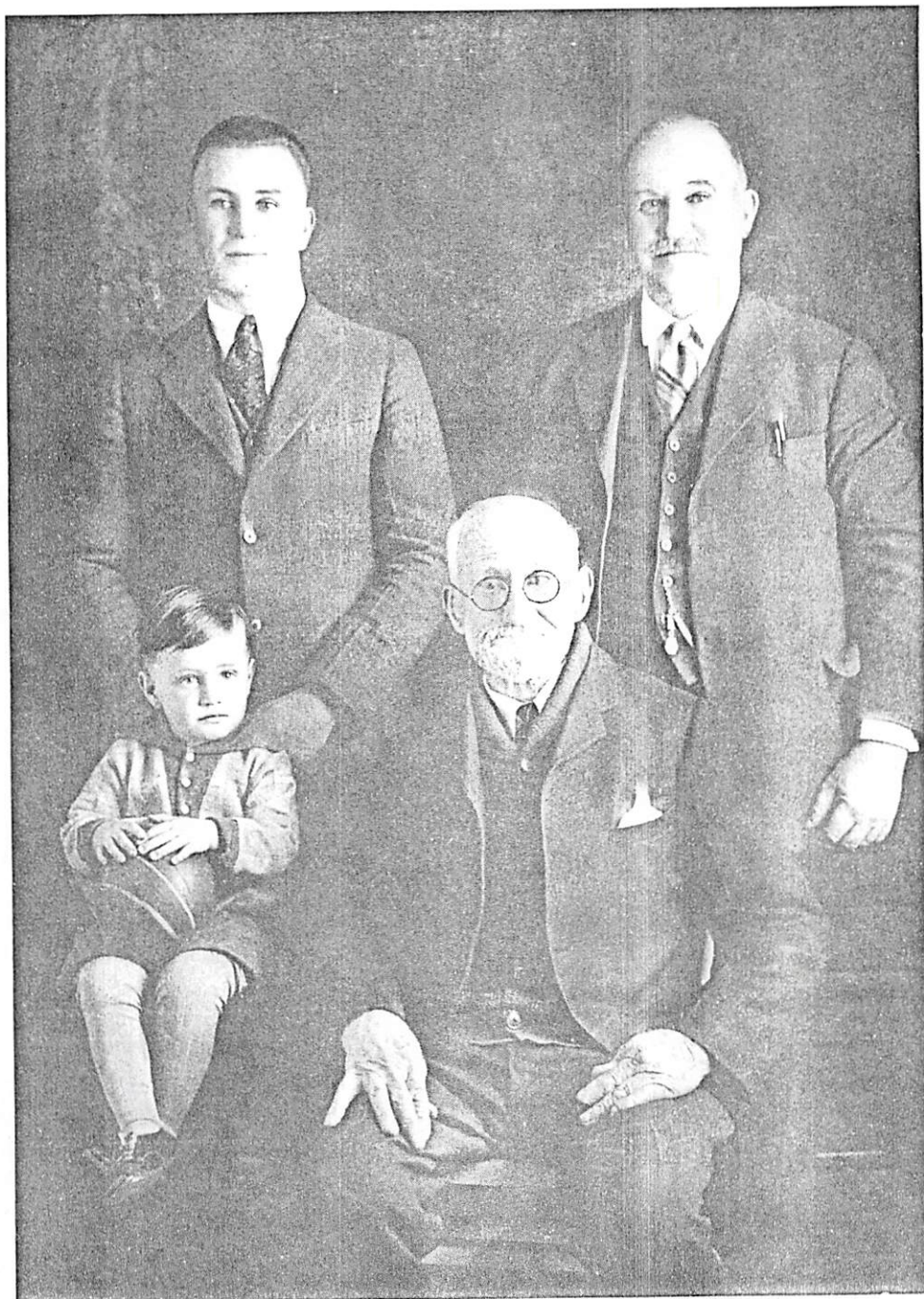
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HON. EDWARD SOUTHWICK, chief deputy dairy and food commissioner of Utah, has lived all his life at Lehi, Utah County, except as his official duties have brought him to the state capital or his activities in the church have taken him to distant missions. Mr. Southwick has long been regarded as one of the most successful experts in dry farming practices, and his teaching and influence have helped materially in the progress of agriculture. He has also been a forceful moral and religious leader and served two terms in the House and one in the Senate, also in one special session in the State Legislature.

Mr. Southwick was born at Lehi, September 13, 1871, and is descended from a long line of sturdy English ancestors. His grandfather was Samuel Southwick, who was born at Cradley,

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